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MINUTES
ILLINOIS CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
April 17, 2009

I. OPENING OF MEETING AT 11:15 A.M. AT 160 NORTH LASALLE STREET,
SUITE S-901, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

II. PRESENT

Barbara J. Peterson, Betty A. Bukraba, and Ares G. Dalianis, Commissioners; Daniel Stralka, Executive Director; Andrew Barris, Assistant Executive Director (via telephone); Beckie Daniken, Commission staff (via telephone); Jan Oncken, Carol Kraus, Liz Nicholson and Spenser Staton, Illinois Department of Central Management Services; Quiana McKenzie, Office of the Governor; Bridget Devlin, Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity; Anne McElroy, Roneta Taylor, Bill Lipsmire and Mike Quinlan, Illinois Department of Central Management Services (via telephone).

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 20, 2009

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUKRABA, AND THE MOTION ADOPTED 3-0 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 20, 2009

IV. EXEMPTIONS UNDER SECTION 4d(3) OF THE PERSONNEL CODE

A. Report on Exempt Positions

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Total Employees</u>	<u>Number of Exempt Positions</u>
Aging	163.....	9
Agriculture	438.....	17
Arts Council.....	21.....	2
Capitol Development Board	42.....	0
Central Management Services	1,489.....	110
Children and Family Services	3,142.....	49
Civil Service Commission	4.....	0
Commerce & Economic Opportunity	412.....	68
Commerce Commission.....	72.....	0
Corrections.....	11,623.....	116
Criminal Justice Authority	56.....	6
Deaf and Hard of Hearing Comm.	7.....	1
Developmental Disabilities Council	11.....	1
Emergency Management Agency	94.....	6
Employment Security.....	1,795.....	25
Environmental Protection Agency	966.....	19
Financial & Professional Regulation	740.....	49
Guardianship and Advocacy	106.....	8
Healthcare and Family Services.....	2,450.....	29
Historic Preservation Agency	193.....	12
Human Rights Commission	15.....	2
Human Rights Department	145.....	10
Human Services	14,260.....	77
Investment Board.....	3.....	2
Juvenile Justice	1,181.....	20
Labor.....	80.....	7
Labor Relations Board Educational	12.....	2
Labor Relations Board State	19.....	2
Law Enforcement Training & Standards Bd.....	19.....	1
Medical District Commission	2.....	0
Military Affairs	124.....	3
Natural Resources	1,302.....	24
Pollution Control Board.....	19.....	2
Prisoner Review Board	20.....	0
Property Tax Appeal Board	21.....	1
Public Health.....	1,134.....	45
Revenue	2,114.....	70
State Fire Marshal	146.....	13
State Police	1,406.....	6
State Police Merit Board.....	6.....	1
State Retirement Systems	81.....	2
Transportation.....	3,346.....	0
Veterans' Affairs.....	1,139.....	7
Workers' Compensation Commission	166.....	10
TOTALS	50,584.....	834

B. Governing Rule - Jurisdiction B Exemptions

- a) Before a position shall qualify for exemption from Jurisdiction B under Section 4d(3) of the Personnel Code, the position shall be directly responsible to:
 - 1. The Governor, or
 - 2. A departmental director or assistant director appointed by the Governor, or
 - 3. A board or commission appointed by the Governor, or
 - 4. The head of an agency created by Executive Order, or the director or assistant director of an agency carrying out statutory powers, whose offices are created by the Governor subject to legislative veto under Article V, Section 11, of the Constitution of 1970, which agency head, director, or assistant director may themselves be subject to exemption under Section 4d(3), or
 - 5. In an agency having a statutory assistant director, a deputy director exercising full line authority under the director for all operating entities of the agency, provided the statutory role of assistant director is vacant or is assigned clearly distinct and separate duties from the deputy director and as a colleague to him, or
 - 6. A line position organizationally located between the director and/or assistant director and a subordinate statutorily exempt position(s), provided the position proposed for exemption has line authority over the statutory exempt position(s), or
 - 7. The elected head of an independent agency in the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of government.

- b) If a position meets the above criterion, it must, in addition, be responsible for one or more of the following before it shall be approved as exempt:
 - 1. Directs programs defined by statute and/or departmental, board, or commission policy or possess significant authority when acting in the capacity of a director of programs to bind the agency.
 - 2. Makes decisions in exercising principal responsibility for the determination or execution of policy which fix objectives or state the principles to control action toward operating objectives of one or more divisions, such decisions being subject to review or reversal only by the director, assistant director, board, or commission.
 - 3. Participates in the planning and programming of departmental, board, or commission activities, integrating the plans and projections of related divisions, and the scheduling of projected work programs of those agencies.

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C. Requests for 4d(3) Exemption

- As to Item C, Executive Director Daniel Stralka stated that this request was for the Federal Legislation Manager for the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, a position that reports to the Director. This position was originally exempted in 2000 but was then relocated to Washington D.C. This relocation caused the abolishment of the position. The recent passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) which is also commonly known as the federal stimulus program, prompted the agency to reestablish the position and resubmit an exemption request. This position has principal policy responsibility for developing proposals and evaluating all federal legislation that impacts the agency. It possesses significant authority to speak on behalf of the agency director and represent the agency on a variety of economic development issues with Congressional Representatives and the Governor's office. For these reasons, staff recommended approval of this request.

Executive Director Stralka also noted that while the federal stimulus program prompted this request, its other responsibilities justified the approval recommendation. He noted that the State is taking a more centralized approach to applying and managing the federal stimulus funds it will be eligible for as will be further explained in the following requests. Technical Services and State agencies are **not** to interpret approval of this request as a green light for each agency to submit exemption requests for positions involved in applying for and managing programs involved with the distribution of federal stimulus funds.

Commissioner Dalianis inquired whether the agency had made any change to the position description since it was last approved for exemption. Bridget Devlin, Human Resources Manager, responded that it had not.

Commissioner Raymond W. Ewell arrived at 11:18 a.m.

- As to Items D1-9, Executive Director Stralka explained that this request is for nine Federal Stimulus Administrators for the Illinois Department of Central Management Services. These positions all report to the Chief Internal Auditor who reports to the Director of Central Management Services. The Chief Internal Auditor reports to both the Director of Central Management Services and the Governor's Internal Audit Committee. The Audit Committee was created by Administrative Order and is made up of the following members – the Governor's Chief of Staff, Chief Operating Officer, Chief Legal Counsel, Director of the Office of Management and Budget and the Director of Central Management Services. These requested positions are in the latter's organizational structure. He also noted that the Office of Internal Audit has been designated by the State as the central clearinghouse for the internal auditing function of the federal stimulus program. The significance is that individual agencies will not, as the program is presently contemplated and has been presented to Commission staff, have principal policy responsibilities in the administration of the federal stimulus program. In addition, this internal auditing function is not the traditional auditing function as was further explained.

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These requests are directly related to the passage of the ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act). From information provided to the Commission, the State is anticipating receiving \$9,000,000,000 from the federal government in federal stimulus funds to be spent on any number of qualifying projects over the next two fiscal years starting on July 1, 2009. However, the federal government is instituting a number of checks and balances on the delivery of these funds and the State has, over the past few weeks, been feverishly working on establishing an internal control structure that will allow it to maximize the federal stimulus dollars it receives while ensuring it complies with these checks and balances. These positions all are part of the structure the State is developing to administer this program which is a work in progress.

The State has established a Stimulus Program Executive Committee chaired by the Chief Operational Officer of the State of Illinois. The Chief Internal Auditor also sits on this Committee to ensure compliance with all requirements for federal grant administration, a requirement for accessing these funds. The purpose of this Committee is to make decisions regarding which projects or programs will be submitted to the federal government to compete for federal stimulus funding. To assist in this process, these Federal Stimulus Administrator positions were created. The State has elected to organize them by agency and geographical zone similar to the Illinois Department of Transportation. This geographical division is required by the ARRA. The requested positions would be somewhat similar to regional administrator positions in a number of agencies such as the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services or the Illinois Department of Employment Security for which the Commission has previously granted exemptions. It has been represented that the requested positions will be functioning more as high level consultants than as dedicated auditors. While they will still perform many auditing functions, they will also be making determinations having a significant impact on which projects or programs the Executive Committee determines will be submitted for federal stimulus funding.

While it has at times been represented that these positions would be submitted for a limited term exemption, as they stand before the Commission the request did not have that limitation. It had been suggested to the agency that a limited term of six months be considered as Technical Services is planning on conducting a class study for these positions. The agency rejected this since the class study may well take up to 12 months and there were concerns over the State's ability to attract qualified applicants for positions which may have such a short duration.

Executive Director Stralka explained that this is a highly unique request. The positions are dedicated to a single federal program of limited duration which is rapidly being implemented due to the current economic climate. The deteriorated financial condition of the State is such that it is an inarguable necessity that the State needs to maximize its claim to federal stimulus funds. The time factor itself makes these requests something of a moving target as no one can predict with certainty exactly how the contemplated federal stimulus administrative structure and process will ultimately play out as the State works toward maximizing its

take. When considering the program and its significance to the development and maintenance of important projects and programs across agency boundaries, it appears that these positions will have significant programmatic responsibilities in not only ensuring the State maximizes its return of federal stimulus dollars but also in which projects and programs are submitted for federal stimulus funding. The federal stimulus program is certainly of the size - \$9,000,000,000 with 77 mandatory grants and over 160 competitive grants in play – to justify principal policy exempt positions in its administration. For these reasons, Staff recommends approval of these requests, though with a limited duration of 24 months.

Executive Director Stralka mentioned there were several representatives present that could add to or correct this presentation and respond to any questions the Commissioners may have.

Commissioners Bukraba and Peterson made a number of inquiries about the scope of the program in Illinois and how quickly it will be implemented. Carol Kraus, Chief Internal Auditor, responded that they are already reviewing agency requests and capabilities so that the State can maximize its funding requests. She noted that while some funding has been approved already, it will certainly start by July 1. The first required reports to the federal government are due July 10 which is why she hoped that these positions could get filled in the next few weeks. She also noted that in addition to the previously mentioned \$9,000,000,000 there is an additional \$2,000,000,000 for a capital program for Illinois Department of Transportation projects. She provided examples of programs that will benefit from the federal stimulus such as providing unemployment benefits, reducing Medicaid payment backlogs, expanding job training programs, and funding weatherization programs for energy efficiency.

Commissioner Ewell inquired why the positions were being assigned to zones. Carol Kraus stated that different programs exist in different geographic areas of the State and also noted that the ARRA mandates geographic reporting. In response to a question from Commissioner Bukraba, Carol Kraus indicated that the positions are located in Cook and Sangamon counties since most agencies have the vast majority of their administrative staffs who these positions will be interacting with in either of these two work locations. The Commissioners as a whole thanked the agency representatives for their information and hard work in securing as much of federal stimulus money as possible for the State and wished them good luck in their efforts.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER PETERSON, AND THE MOTION ADOPTED 4-0 TO GRANT THE REQUEST FOR 4D(3) EXEMPTION FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITION:

C. Illinois Dept. of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

Position Number	40070-42-00-000-30-01
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Director's Office
Functional Title	Federal Legislation Administrator
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Director
Location	Sangamon County

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PETERSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUKRABA, AND THE MOTION ADOPTED 4-0 TO GRANT THE REQUESTS FOR 4D(3) EXEMPTION FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS FOR A TERM OF 24 MONTHS:

D1. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-01
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Sangamon County Zone 1)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Sangamon County

D2. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-02
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Sangamon County Zone 2)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Sangamon County

D3. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-03
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Sangamon County Zone 3)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Sangamon County

D4. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-04
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Sangamon County Zone 4)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Sangamon County

D5. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-05
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Sangamon County Zone 5)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Sangamon County

D6. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-06
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Cook County Zone 1)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Cook County

D7. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-07
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Cook County Zone 2)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Cook County

D8. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-08
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Cook County Zone 3)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Cook County

D9. Illinois Department of Central Management Services

Position Number	40070-37-03-000-50-09
Position Title	Senior Public Service Administrator
Bureau/Division	Office of Internal Audit
Functional Title	Federal Stimulus Administrator (Cook County Zone 4)
Incumbent	Vacant
Supervisor	Chief Internal Auditor, who reports to the Director
Location	Cook County

V. CLASS SPECIFICATIONS¹

The following class titles were submitted for abolishment and revision by the Director of Central Management Services:

Position Titles:

- A. Corrections Agricultural Lead Worker (abolish)
- B. Corrections Agricultural Supervisor (abolish)
- C. Corrections Industry Lead Worker (revise)
- D. Corrections Industry Supervisor (revise)

Analysis: Assistant Executive Director Andrew Barris had questions regarding the abolishment of the Corrections Agriculture Supervisor and Corrections Agriculture Lead Worker classes combined with a revision to the Corrections Industry Lead Worker and Corrections Industry Supervisor classes to include those under the Agriculture classes. Barris spoke to John Logsdon at Central Management Services and inquired why the class change was proposed in 2005 yet the Commission did not get the proposal until 2009. Barris asked Logsdon why the proposal represented an opposite direction of the recent trend to break-up the broad banded classes into specialties. Barris asked Logsdon what positions the supervisors supervised and how many farms were involved to warrant the claim that farming was “big business.” Logsdon explained that the proposed class change did not get to the Commission until 2009 because AFSCME and Central

¹ Agenda Item V was discussed out of order (between Agenda Item IV-C and Agenda Items IV-D1 through D-9).

Management Services had to work out the details of the language. Logsdon affirmed that an agreement had been reached with the union on the language of the revision. Logsdon stated that Lead Workers supervise inmates and Supervisors supervise lead workers, inmates, and corrections vocational instructors. Logsdon also explained that the Department of Corrections no longer had any farms and this was another reason for the abolishment of the Agriculture classes and a revision to the Industry class because the relevant positions no longer grow food on farms. Rather, they only process food now. Commissioner Peterson asked why the revised industry classes included such a wide array of duties in the "Illustrative Examples of Work." Bill Lipsmire from Central Management Services explained that revisions need to be broad enough to predict what duties might be demanded from the class positions in the future and the Department of Corrections has the ability to produce a lot of goods and services.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUKRABA, AND THE MOTION ADOPTED 3-1 TO APPROVE THE ABOLISHMENT AND REVISION OF THE FOLLOWING CLASS TITLES TO BE EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2009:

- A: Corrections Agricultural Lead Worker (abolished)**
- B. Corrections Agricultural Supervisor (abolished)**
- C: Corrections Industry Lead Worker (revised)**
- D: Corrections Industry Supervisor (revised)**

KOLKER		EWELL	YES
PETERSON	NO	DALIANIS	YES
BUKRABA	YES		

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PETERSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER EWELL, AND THE MOTION ADOPTED 4-0 TO DISAPPROVE ANY CLASS SPECIFICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE COMMISSION NOT CONTAINED IN THIS REPORT TO ALLOW ADEQUATE STUDY.

VI. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER EWELL, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, AND BY ROLL CALL VOTE THE MOTION ADOPTED 4-0 TO HOLD AN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTIONS 2(c)(1), 2(c)(4), AND 2(c)(11) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

KOLKER		EWELL	YES
PETERSON	YES	DALIANIS	YES
BUKRABA	YES		

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VII. RECONVENE MEETING

Upon due and proper notice the regular meeting of the Illinois Civil Service Commission was reconvened at 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite S-901, Chicago, Illinois at 12:07 p.m.

PRESENT

Raymond W. Ewell, Barbara J. Peterson, Betty A. Bukraba, and Ares G. Dalianis, Commissioners; Daniel Stralka, Executive Director; and Andrew Barris, Assistant Executive Director (via telephone).

VIII. NON-MERIT APPOINTMENT REPORT

The Personnel Code permits non-merit appointments for a limited period of time, i.e. emergency appointments shall not exceed 60 days and shall not be renewed, and positions shall not be filled on a temporary or provisional basis for more than six months out of any twelve-month period. Consecutive non-merit appointments are not violative of the Code, however, they do present a possible evasion of merit principles and should be monitored. Set forth below is the number of consecutive non-merit appointments made by each department. These statistics are from the Department of Central Management Services' Consecutive Non-Merit Report.

Agency	2/28/09	3/31/09	3/31/08
Aging	0	1	0
Agriculture	0	1	2
Arts Council	0	0	1
Central Management Services	1	2	3
Children and Family Services	4	4	4
Commerce and Economic Opportunity	0	1	0
Criminal Justice Authority	1	1	0
Employment Security	3	2	0
Financial and Professional Regulation	0	0	1
Healthcare and Family Services	5	9	15
Human Services	0	0	6
Natural Resources	1	0	1
State Police	0	0	1
Transportation	17	5	53
Veteran's Affairs	0	1	0
Workers' Compensation Commission	1	1	0
Totals	33	28	87

IX. INTERLOCUTORY APPEALS

- DISCHARGE

DA-11-09

Employee	Jennifer L. Gordon	Appeal Date	9/17/08
Agency	DHS	Decision Date	4/01/09
Type	Discharge	ALJ	Andrew Barris
Issue	Motion to Dismiss for no jurisdiction; employee was trainee at time of discharge	Recommended Decision	Grant Motion to Dismiss.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BUKRABA, AND BY ROLL CALL VOTE OF 4-0 THE MOTION ADOPTED THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE FOUND A QUESTION OF LAW, FACT, OR POLICY WHICH IF RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION WOULD MATERIALLY ADVANCE THE RESOLUTION OF THE DISPUTE. THE COMMISSION FURTHER FINDS THAT GORDON WAS A TRAINEE AT THE TIME OF HER DISCHARGE AND SO HAD NOT ACQUIRED ANY RIGHTS UNDER JURISDICTION B. THEREFORE, THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IS WITHOUT JURISDICTION TO HEAR HER DISCHARGE APPEAL. IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH, THE DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE TO GRANT THE MOTION TO DISMISS IS AFFIRMED AND ADOPTED.

KOLKER		EWELL	YES
PETERSON	YES	DALIANIS	YES
BUKRABA	YES		

- DISCHARGE

DA-25-09

Employee	Pamela Harris	Appeal Date	12/29/08
Agency	DOC	Decision Date	04/01/09
Type	Discharge	ALJ	Daniel Stralka
Issue	Motion to Dismiss for no jurisdiction; employee was in a 4d(3) exempt position at time of discharge	Recommended Decision	Grant Motion to Dismiss.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER PETERSON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, AND BY ROLL CALL VOTE OF 4-0 THE MOTION ADOPTED THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE FOUND A QUESTION OF LAW, FACT, OR POLICY WHICH IF RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION WOULD MATERIALLY ADVANCE THE RESOLUTION OF THE DISPUTE. THE COMMISSION FURTHER FINDS THAT HARRIS WAS

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NOT AN EMPLOYEE UNDER JURISDICTION B OF THE PERSONNEL CODE AT THE TIME OF HER DISCHARGE AND THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IS WITHOUT JURISDICTION TO HEAR HER DISCHARGE APPEAL. IN ACCORDANCE THEREWITH, THE DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE TO GRANT THE MOTION TO DISMISS IS AFFIRMED AND ADOPTED.

KOLKER		EWELL	YES
PETERSON	YES	DALIANIS	YES
BUKRABA	YES		

X. PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED DECISION RESULTING FROM APPEAL

• DISCHARGE

DA-23-09

Employee	George W. Jones	Appeal Date	12/12/08
Agency	FPR	Decision Date	04/03/09
Type	Discharge	ALJ	Daniel Stralka
Charge(s)	Failure to submit time off slips for 4 days; falsification of timekeeping records	Recommended Decision	Charges are proven and warrant discharge.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER EWELL, AND BY ROLL CALL VOTE OF 4-0, THE MOTION ADOPTED TO AFFIRM AND ADOPT THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RECOMMENDED DECISION THAT THE WRITTEN CHARGES FOR DISCHARGE HAVE BEEN PROVEN AND WARRANT DISCHARGE FOR THE REASONS GIVEN IN THE RECOMMENDED DECISION DATED APRIL 3, 2009.

KOLKER		EWELL	YES
PETERSON	YES	DALIANIS	YES
BUKRABA	YES		

XI. REPORT ON THE TREATMENT OF PRIOR DISCIPLINARY INCIDENTS WHICH ARE THE SUBJECT OF PENDING GRIEVANCES

This report was continued until May 15, 2009.

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XII. STAFF REPORT

Executive Director Daniel Stralka reported that:

- He met with representatives of the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services to discuss the discipline and discharge process in general on April 9, 2009.
- The fiscal year 2010 Senate appropriation hearing has been rescheduled to May 6.
- On April 9, 2009, Governor Quinn introduced his Boards and Commissions Appointment website which includes the Civil Service Commission and can be accessed at <http://www.appointments.illinois.gov/>.
- He provided the Governor's office with a report on April 10, 2009 regarding posting electronic information in a proactive fashion.
- All Commissioners were reminded to send their completed Statements of Economic Interest to the Springfield office prior to the May 1 filing deadline.

Assistant Executive Director Barris reported that the Civil Service Commission's proposed rules had been published in the Illinois Register for first notice.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING

Announcement was made of the next regular meeting to be held on Friday, May 15, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commission's Springfield office.

XIV. MOTION TO ADJOURN

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER DALIANIS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER EWELL AND THE MOTION ADOPTED 4-0 TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 12:15 P.M.